

# The Union.

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JOHN PYMM, Postmaster.

Saturday, Sep. 19, 1896.

## Sunday School Conference.

The S. S. Conference convened in the St. George Tabernacle on Saturday and was continued on Sunday morning. On Saturday the children rendered their exercises very creditably, and on Sunday morning Prest. A. W. Ivins gave a very interesting discourse on parents training their children while in their youth in the ways of the Lord and they will seldom depart from it.

Apostle Lyman also gave some very valuable instructions to Superintendents and Teachers and advised them to teach the children to repeat the Lord's prayer, Ten Commandments and other useful articles in concert, often, and will have a good effect on the youth of Zion.

## CONFERENCE.

The quarterly conference of the St. George Stake convened at 2 p. m. on Sunday, September 13, 1896, Daniel D. McArthur presiding.

President McArthur welcomed the people assembled and hoped all would be partakers of the spirit of God that we may all be benefitted by meeting together.

Apostle Lyman spoke on the ordinance of baptism and advised those holding positions as bishops and leading men in the church not to be in a hurry to baptize men and women, but take time and see that they are in harmony with the doctrines of the church, and see that they have forsaken their sins and are worthy to be baptized. He advised the bishops to notify the people that all who desire baptism should be present at fast meeting on the first Thursday in the month, then examine them and if they are found to be worthy then baptize them, but if they are not worthy, give them more time that they may show by their works that they are truly sincere. The bishops are the judges in these matters, but if they neglect these matters they will not be blameless.

At the Priesthood meeting Apostle Lyman said hereafter when missionaries are wanted the presidents of the different Stakes will be notified how many are required out of each Stake and they will call on the Bishops of the different wards for the number needed therefrom. He also advised that when a Bishop wanted missionaries from any quorum that they consult with the president of the quorum to which they be-

long. Also advised the Bishops to sit down with their counsellors at least once a week, to advise on matters pertaining to their wards. Also advised presidents of quorums to pursue the same course.

MONDAY, 10 a. m.

Prest. E. B. Snow referred to the announcement of Prest. Woodruff made at the dedication of the Salt Lake Temple wherein he told the Latter-day Saints that the Lord had accepted of that Temple as an offering at their hands, and that if the Latter-day Saints would refrain from committing sins and keep the commandments of God from that time forward, their past sins would be forgiven them. He urged the Saints to so live that they can claim this promised blessing.

Bishop James Andrus reported the St. George Ward in very good condition, and an average attendance of about 450 at the Sabbath school. Reported measles, typhoid fever and kindred diseases quite prevalent, and the sick are being looked after.

Elder Larson, of Rockville, a returned missionary, reported his ministry in Illinois and said that many honest souls have been added to the church; and that a great many are seeking after the truths of the gospel.

Elder Samuel H. Wells, reported laboring in Texas over 2 years. In the fore part of that time there was a good deal of indifference about the gospel but in the latter part of that time there were a number of good, honest souls were added to the Church and many are enquiring after the principles of the gospel.

2 p. m. Prest. E. D. Woolley of Kanab Stake, gave some very good advice to all and particularly to the young in regard to keeping the laws of God and not allow the adversary to lead us astray.

Apostle Lyman regretted that he would have to disappoint the people of the settlements west of here where he had made appointments to meet with them, as he has been notified by the presidency of the church to return home at once. He advised the Presidents of Stakes, Bishops and all leading men to live near to the Lord that they might be able to keep iniquity from among us and be able to judge in righteousness in all matters that may come before them. Advised all men and women to be perfectly free in their politics, for the church has no politics whatever, but take your choice and be as free as the air you breathe. He advised all to keep out of debt and not mortgage their homes. Related some of his early experience, and of his coming through this country at an early day and bought 800 pounds of cotton seed at Washington, hauled it to California and sold it for \$200.00. He closed with his blessing on the people.

Prest. McArthur advised the peo-

ple to follow the instruction given at this Conference. He thanked the choirster, the organist and the choir for their excellent service during this conference.

## A TRIP TO THE GRAND CANON OF THE COLORADO.

Trumbull, Arizona.

Almost a mile from camp is a deep side canon extending at right angles to the river, which we enter. The east wall is formed by a red, a black and a red cliff, and small gray ones. A large knoll of volcanic dust covering an area of more than a thousand acres and several hundred feet high, forms the west wall.

Now a precipice having a sheer descent of more than six hundred feet, extends across the canon; but by climbing backward and upward the obstacle is passed. Now the water hose is cached; and a little farther on, the water cans; again the canon ends abruptly in an over-hanging precipice, and again our steps must be retraced and a higher climb made. Now it is easy to make slides of sixty yards or more in the volcanic dust without raising the feet; but it takes a keen eye to avoid the dangerous places. Giant barrel cacti grow in the crevices of the rocks and woe be to the hand or foot that touch them, for they will pierce a heavy shoe. Far up the left stands a unique and wonderful formation in the solid rock. It is the representation of a house of the gothic type yet with a strange resemblance to the German castle. In front is a vestibule with two Oriental looking shrubs in the doorway; and in the side-door stand two more surrounded by a collection of fern-like plants. A large room is plainly seen within and a corridor connects it with another apartment. To look up at this cool, inviting place is to forget the heat and fatigue and accompanying thirst. Another precipice is passed; another, and another, and the path is blocked; the sides of the canon rise in cliffs on one side and in alternate layers of molten land and ledge-rock on the other. The wind is blowing a hurricane bringing up the roar from the river "so near and yet so far." We sit down on the rocks and think of many crowds of picnickers and their gaities of to day; but who would exchange this grand view of slopes and cliffs and crags for other celebrations? Well it is time to return; baffled but not crest fallen. The effort has been considerable; the reward abundant and rich. The path to the river may yet yield up the secret of its whereabouts.

We go to camp to return home in the morning, and go to bed to fling in phantasy the "light fantastic"—over the boulders.

George Cole.

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